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## Bitterroot National Forest

August 12, 2007 @ 8:00am

Fire Information: (406) 821-1057, www.inciweb.org, or www.fs.fed.us/r1/bitterroot

.ocation: 4 miles west of Darby, Montana

Date and Time of Fire Start: August 5 at 3:47 p.m. Cause: Under Investigation

\* =uels: Timber (Ponderosa pine, Douglas-fir)

Cooperating Agencies: Darby Rural FD; Hamilton Volunteer FD, other local area rural FDs, Ravalli County Sheriff & OEM Departments, town of Darby, Darby School District, Montana DNRC, Bitterroot RC&D, Forest Service (USFS), and local government

Estimated Fire Size: 608 Acres

Injuries to Date: 3

**Estimated Fire Containment: 100%** 

Estimated Expected Containment: 08/12/2007

Committed Resources: 225 total personnel that include 4 Fire Crews, 8 Engines, 1 Dozers,

3 Water Tenders, 2 Excavators, and fire support personnel

Structures Threatened: 0

Structures Damaged: 0

Structures Destroyed: 0

Fire Activity: Yesterday, firefighter's observed minimal fire behavior.

Events: Fire crews will patrol the fire area and continue to suppress and mop-up fire hot spots within 300 feet of the fire perimeter. Fire suppression rehabilitation is also underway. Demobilization of resources has begun as the fire growth potential is low.

Closures: The immediate fire area remains closed due to hazard trees that are weakened by the fire.

Visitors are reminded that fire restrictions are in effect. No campfires and no smoking (except in designated areas) are allowed.

Evacuations: All Stage 2 evacuation orders and Stage 1 pre-evacuation notices have been lifted.

Any questions regarding evacuations, please call the Ravalli County OEM Department at 406-375-6650.

Remarks: Preparations are beginning for a transition to a local management team organization. This will be the final update for the Tin Cup Fire prepared by NorCal Team II.

Last night KPAX-TV Channel 8 aired a news story on yesterday's community fire camp tour. The news story can be seen on the internet by going to the "Top Video" window and clicking on the KPAX ON DEMAND: "Evening News for Saturday 8-11-07" at the following link: http://www.montanasnewsstation.com/Global/category.asp?C=50436.

Special Notice: Montana Governor Brian Schwietzer will be visiting our fire camp this afternoon at 2:00pm.

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